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US AMBASSADOR DAN MOZENA VISITS USAID'S PROTEEVA PROJECT IN SHUNAMGONJ

SHUNAMGONJ, JANUARY 22 -- Ambassador Dan Mozena visited USAID's Promoting Talent through Early Education (PROTEEVA) project in Shunamgonj during his tour of Sylhet Division. PROTEEVA currently operates in 55 upazilas (sub-districts), 23 districts and all seven divisions of Bangladesh.

During the visit, Ambassador Mozena and his delegation met the school management committee, teachers and students to learn more about their activities and the PROTEEVA project.

PROTEEVA helps establish and improve the quality of basic education in pre-schools. These efforts not only enhance the skills of young children but promote school retention and completion. The project is implemented by Save the Children in collaboration with the Ministry of Primary and Mass Education – Directorate of Primary Education, National Academy for Primary Education, and five national implementing NGOs.

The U.S. Government, through USAID, has provided over \$6 billion in development assistance to Bangladesh since 1971. In 2012 alone, USAID provided more than \$200 million to improve the lives of people in Bangladesh. USAID supports programs in Bangladesh that: promote democratic institutions and practices, expand food security and economic opportunity, improve health and education services, and increase resiliency to climate change through adaptation and low carbon development.

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